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Part B for April 1923

SUBJECT

Payment of the arrears of Surplus revenues of the Bangalore Assigned Tract to the Mysore Durbar.

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ROUTINE NOTES.

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Copy of Residency letter No.7021 dated the 2nd Septr. 1922 informing that the Govt. of India have sanctioned the payment to the Durbar of an additional sum of Rs.3,27,160-8-9, on account of the arrears of surplus revenues of the Civil and Military Station, Bangalore, up to end of the year 1920-21, is submitted to Dewan.

C.E.Ramakau
Registrar.
2.9.22

DEWAN'S OFFICE
Dated 11 SEP 1922
No. 15 30

Hon. Chief Sec:)
Dewan

Hon
2/9

Henry letter
& remarks

I have sent the
Resolution and
Circular
for 21.22

Yes

Yes

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we have got the pro forma accts for the 3 years 1918-19, 1919-20 and 1920-21 for which payment is due. The surpluses for these years are as under as made out from the pro forma accts given the A.G. Reports.

	Rs.
1918-19	9,83,202
1919-20	9,56,676
1920-21	9,54,483
Total	28,94,361

The reserve of 5 lacks was fully made up by the end of 1917-18 and so the whole surplus for all the above 3 years is payable but against this the amt proposed to be paid is Rs 13,27,160-8-9. The balance reserved is therefore:

28,94,361-0-0
13,27,160-8-9
1567200-7-3

Add the reserve built up to the end of 1917-18. 500000-0-0

Total 20,67,200-7-3.

In the Residency letter this amount is shown as Rs 20 3/4 lakhs and there is only a diff of about Rs 8000 between the two figures.

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I do not know if the decision to retain 20 3/4 lakhs is final and if it is proposed to acquiesce in it. It is not also clear if any unspent amt

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out of this large reserve will be paid to us. Nor is it stated what Development Schemes are proposed and when they are to be carried out.

The proforma accts for 1921-22 is not yet ready. The Report of the Station is generally published some 9 or 10 months after the close of the year and the amt due for 1921-22 will not be known until abt January 1923. As our year closes in June '22 we may receive the amt due for their year 1921-22 before the close of our year 1922-23. In these lines it is not yet time to credit for the Surplus due for 1921-22. It is to be presumed from the Residency letter that no objections will be raised to the payment to us of the actual surpluses of the Proforma accts for 1921-22 and subsequent years.

Dewan
I have the honor to reply to your letter
We may take that there is
7-9-22

DEWAN'S OFFICE.
Recd. on SEP 11 1922
No. 1691

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Draft to Resy and D.S.N. contra. In the former Shave not made any enquiry regarding the difference observed in regard to the total amt of the Surplus for 1918-19, 1919-20 and 1920-21 as shade out from the A/c Reports of the Station for these years and as given in the present Comandn from the Resy. We may first get information in regard to the orders passed by Govt on our representation and then take up all the points that arise out of them.

Shad Mull 11.9.22

Dewan) - Yes. The draft is alright

Sd/-

To the Resy vide No. P/ 292 dt 2/10/22.

requests that orders of Govt of India on the representation of this Govt for the payment of Surplus revenues of Hyderabad State may be communicated.

From the Residency No R 7985 dt 13/10/22

Dewan's orders on the road

Perhaps after a week hence dt 16/10/22.

Submitted 23.10.22 Mull

Dewan) Resy) Perhaps a reminder

Mad 25/10/22

Mad 9.11.22

Mad

DEVELOPMENTS OFFICE. Food. 12 1922 Reg. No. 17403

for MG

NOTE—Contn. sheet

No.7021

From,

Major C.T.C.Plowden, I.A.,
Secretary to the Resident in Mysore.

To,

The Chief Secretary to the Government of
H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

Dated Bangalore, 2nd Septr. 1922.

Subject:-

Payment of the arrears of surplus revenues of the Bangalore Assigned Tract to the Mysore Durbar.

Sir,

In continuation of my endorsement No.5950 dated the 22nd July 1922, I am directed to say that the Government of India have sanctioned the payment to the Durbar of an additional sum of Rs.3,27,160-8-9 on account of the arrears of surplus revenues which have accrued in the pro-forma account of the Bangalore Assigned Tract up to end of the year 1920-21, over and above the sum of Rs.20¾ lakhs (which includes the standing reserve of 5 lakhs) at present retained out of those revenues for the purpose of financing certain development schemes in the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore.

2. Necessary orders to the Accountant-General, Madras, will be issued accordingly.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
Sd/ C.T.C.Plowden.
Secretary to the Resident.

" Copy."

C.R. Ramakar

Registrar.

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Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja.

Subject.

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Copy of the Residency letter dated the 2nd September 1922 stating that the Government of India have sanctioned the payment to the Durbar of an additional sum of Rs.7,27,160-8-9- on account of the arrears of surplus revenues of the Civil and Military station, Bangalore.

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Order.

KRW
6/9/22

7 SEP 1922

Please keep with the other file
7.9.22

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Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja

Subject.

Draft letter to the Residency enquiring whether any orders have been passed by the Government of India on our representation anent the surplus revenues of the Civil and Military Station.

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Order.

~~KRW~~
28/9/22

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30 SEP 1922

Home Dept
29.9.22

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IMMEDIATE.

REPLY

(To be written on this margin.)

No. 1764
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No. 455 dt. 15/10/22
Pay B

Office of the Dewan of Mysore.

NOTE.

Dated 15th November ...1922.

Please put up at once the file of papers containing our official letter to the Government of India in regard to the question of the C & M.S. Surplus to which no reply has yet been received. ~~Are reminders being regularly issued to the Residency?~~

15-11

The Financial Secretary to Government with compliments.

The connected papers in the F.D. are put up. The main file is in the Confidential Branch to which this registered transferred. 16.11.22

Seen & returned for the enclosures in Table in the Dewan's office

17.11

17/11

The papers in this C.B. are also put up. The Govt. Communication in the Residency D.O. of the 13th October 1922 has not yet been received.

16/11/22

16/11/22 Dewan)

D.O. No. M. 141

CB-1507

DEWAN OF MYSORE.

BALLABROOIE,
HIGH GROUND,
BANGALORE.

18th November 1922.

Dear Mr. Krishna Rao,

In regard to the Surplus Revenue question of the C & M Station, it may be necessary to send up another official letter to the Residency referring to the letter of October 1920 and asking for an early settlement of the question. I shall be obliged if you will kindly prepare a draft for my approval.

Yours sincerely,

Rajakarya prasakta
M.N.Krishna Rao, B.A.,
Financial Secretary to Government.

Forwarded to the Confidential Branch for sending the connected file to me.

18.11.22

Draft to the Residency is drafted

Dewan

22-11-22

a revised
2 letters thereof
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23.11

Please make 2 drafts &
put up fair copies for issue
today -

23/11/22

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Letter No. 2289 dated 20th December 1922 from the Secretary to the Resident in Mysore, Bangalore.

Dewan.) M.A.K./20-12-1922.

This may be submitted with a D.O.M. The Resident is still obdurate. His review of the situation is not correct. If this is final, we must now appeal to the Secretary of State. The case cannot be considered closed and we should repudiate any suggestion of the kind at once. Please refer to the printed confidential correspondence and put up also a draft reply. We can't agree to this. Dispute is left where it is.

(Id.) A. R. B.
21-12-1922.

DSN and Draft D.O. to Mr Denton post my Mule
21-12.22
Dewan

Yes

NOTE—Contn. sheet.

Submitted to His Highness.

A I request reference to my submission note dated 14th September 1922. With the permission of His Highness, I made an enquiry of the Resident as to whether any orders of the Government of India had been received on the representation made by us in regard to the surplus revenues of the Civil and Military station -- both the with-held arrears and the future surpluses --in our letter No.455 dated 15th October 1920. On the 13th October 1922 Major Plowden wrote to say that Mr. Barton had communicated to me the general purport of the orders of the Government of India on the subject and that an official communication would be made shortly. Mr. Barton had not communicated any orders of the Government of India to me and I awaited the promised official communication to see what orders were really being referred to. As that communication was not received until the 23rd November last, I sent a reminder in my letter of that date briefly stating the position in regard to the question and pressing for early orders of the Government of India regarding it. - The Residency letter dated 20th December 1922 which is herewith submitted for perusal, is the reply to this reminder.

This letter gives an entirely wrong account of the present position in regard to the question and it also assume that the matter has been decided against us. The Resident's letter, the extracts from which were communicated to us in April last, and which is stated to express the views of the Government of India, is dated 12th November 1920. In submitting to the Government of India our letter of the 15th October 1920, the Resident made his own representation and tried to challenge our arguments in his letter of the 12th November 1920. It is surprising that we should be asked to treat the representation of one of the parties as the order of the deciding authority. Apart from this fact, any opinion held in 1920 cannot now represent the attitude of the Government of India towards the question. Such a view would -

overlook the whole of the negotiations relating to the offers for the settlement of the question made by the Government of India, subsequent to November 1920, and our views about such offers. It is unreasonable to contend that the question is now at the stage left in the Resident's letter of the 12th November 1920. We have all along been contending that the Government of India have not considered the representation made in our letter of the 15th October 1920 and that a formal and definite reply to it is still due to us. I made this quite clear to Mr. Barton in my interview with him on the 7th April 1922. When the negotiations referred to above fell through, the earlier and counter-representation made by the Resident in his letter of the 12th November 1920 should also be considered as having fallen through, leaving the representation made by us in our letter of the 15th October 1920 as an unsettled question. The contention that the Resident's letter of the 12th November 1920 represents the final decision of the Government of India overlooks the most important fact that His Highness had an interview with His Excellency the Viceroy at Simla in April last. Even the payment of 13¼ lakhs already made would be inconsistent with the decision of the Government of India if that decision is held to be contained in Mr Barton's letter of the 12th November 1920, as so far as the extracts from that letter have been communicated to us, he did not propose in that letter to give us any portion of the withheld surpluses: on the contrary, he proposed to spend 25 to 30 lakhs, i.e., about the whole of the surplus for the three years, on improvements of the Station.

The assumption made by Mr. Barton that the case has been closed and that the decision has gone against us has to be contradicted at once and I therefore propose to address him as in the draft put up and I solicit His Highness'

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Jk.

Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja

Subject.

Draft letter to the Residency on the subject of the payment of the surplus revenues of the Civil & Military Station

566

Order.

~~KRM~~
3/1/23

D.O. R. 41 dt 4/1/23 has been issued from the Dewan's office. (Draft is in the file).
4/1/23.

Hon
we agree to the
draft given &
kindly arrange
circulate

To the Chief Secy
4-1-23

18 members
2nd members

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6.1.23

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7.1.23

G. R. S. III-2.

General and Revenue Secretariat.

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Serial No.	
	No. Pol.760 dated 16th February 1923 to the Secretary to the Resident in Mysore. Reminder re. the payment of the surplus revenues for 1921-22.

NOTE—Contn. sheet.

The attached Residency communication is important and I think it is necessary to submit it for the information of His Highness immediately. A note is accordingly put up.

First Member.) (Sd) M.A.K 22/3

and ~~of~~ Rs.20,000 to the Friend-in-need Society. But for these subventions, which are really at our expense, the balance of the pro forma account would have been better by a lakh and a quarter. Whether it is permissible to make ~~such~~ subventions and donations of the magnitude mentioned from the revenues of the Assigned Tract is an important question that arises for consideration. In all probability, these payments have been made by the authorities of the Station with the sanction of the Government of India and I do not know what heed will be paid to protests, if any, against the inclusion in the expenditure account of the Station of items of this nature.

On receipt of the amount payable according to the pro forma account, I shall submit a separate note as to how the total sum received on account of the arrears to end of 1920-21 and of the dues for 1921-22 should be exhibited in our accounts for the current year and how the balance in excess of the revenue of Rs.16½ lakhs taken in our budget should be ~~exhibited in accounts and~~ disposed of.

Dewan)

(Sd) M.N.K.
16/3

The Administration Report of the Civil & Military Station, Bangalore, for the year 1921-22 has just been received. The pro forma account given on page 16 shows that the surplus payable to us is Rs.9,56,295. This result is very gratifying and if the whole amount is handed over to us, as it should be under the existing agreement, the increased revenue comes in very opportunely.

The last communication from the Residency on this subject is so recent as 5th March 1923 and it is stated therein that the proforma account has been sent to the Government of India and that their orders have been requested to be communicated by telegram. We may, therefore, wait for about a week for intimation of the orders of the Government of India authorising the Accountant-General, Madras, to pay us the amount. If we do not hear within that period, we may press the Residency to make the payment without further delay.

Attention is invited to para 105 of the Administration Report in which the increase in the standard of expenditure in 1921-22 compared with that in the previous year is alluded to briefly. The two chief items which have contributed to increase the scale of expenditure by about a lakh and a quarter are the grants of one lakh to the Station Municipality and

Note.

I beg to submit for the gracious information of His Highness the Residency letter No. 2498 dated 22nd February 1923 stating that the surplus revenues of the Civil & Military Station due for the year 1921-22 is Rs.10,47,718-3-2 and that the Accountant-General, Madras, has been authorised to pay us the amount before the close of this month. The Comptroller has been asked to arrange for obtaining payment in time.

Member of Council.

(Sd) M.N.N. 22/3.

Surplus of C. & M. Station.

In continuation of my note dated 16th March 1923, I enclose copy of Residency letter just received to-day intimating that the surplus payable for the year 1921-22 is Rs.10,47,718-3-2 and that the Accountant-General, Madras, has been authorised to pay it to us before the end of this month. The Comptroller has been asked to arrange for obtaining payment immediately. The surplus according to the pro forma account given in the Administration Report of the Station is only Rs.9,56,295. It is not clear how a larger amount has been arrived at. The excess is however welcome and the circumstances in which the figure according to the Administration Report differs from what is now reported may be enquired into later on. In view of the importance of the matter, the Residency communication has been submitted for the information of His Highness.

D E W A N.)

(Sd) M.V.K.
22/3.

Pol. 266
2/9/22

R. O. 2.—R. P. B.—5—1922.—5,000

No. 7021 Enc.
613-1899.

CB 764

From

Major C. T. C. Plowden, I.A.,

SECRETARY to the RESIDENT in MYSORE.

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To

The Chief Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

G.F.
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Dated Bangalore, 2nd September *1922*.

Subject:—

Payment of the arrears of surplus revenues of the Bangalore Assigned Tract to the Mysore Durbar.

Sir,

In continuation of my endorsement No.5950, dated the 22nd July 1922, I am directed to say that the Government of India have sanctioned the payment to the Durbar of an additional sum of Rs.3,27,160-8-9 on account of the arrears of surplus revenues which have accrued in the pro-forma account of the Bangalore Assigned Tract up to the end of the year 1920-21, over and above the sum of Rs.20¾ lakhs (which includes the standing reserve of 5 lakhs) at present retained out of those revenues for the purpose of financing certain development schemes in the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore.

2. Necessary orders to the Accountant-General, Madras, will be issued accordingly.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT.

BJ

Draft. 5992 G.F. 8.22.4

To

The Secretary

to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore,

Bangalore.

Rol 292
2nd October 1922

S i r,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No.7021 dated the 2nd September 1922, stating that the Govt. of India have sanctioned the payment to the Mysore Government of an additional sum of Rs.3,27,160-8-9 towards the arrears of the surplus revenues of the Civil & Military Station due for the period of 3 years ending with 1920-21 and that a sum of Rs.20¾ lakhs is retained for purposes of financing certain development schemes in the Station.

2. The communication under reference does not allude to the representation of the ~~Durbar~~ Mysore Govt on the subject and it is not therefore ~~non~~ Known if any orders on it have been passed by the Government of India. If orders have been passed, I am to request that they may be Kindly communicated for the information of the ~~Durbar~~. Mysore Govt

I have, etc.,

11.9.22

Financial Secretary.

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Routine Notes.

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D.O. No. 7986

THE RESIDENCY,

BANGALORE.

Dated 13 October 1922.

Subject:- Payment of surplus revenues of the Civil and Military Station, Bangalore to the Mysore Government.

Dear Mr. Krishna Rao,

With reference to your letter No.292-Pol., dated the 2nd October 1922 on the subject noted above, I am desired to say that Mr. Barton told Mr. Banerji in Mysore the general purport of the orders of the Govern- of India on the subject. An official communication will shortly be made.

Yours sincerely

J Bowden

Sent for information

Dewan 13-10-22

DEWAN'S OFFICE.
Read on OCT 14 1922

M. N. Krishna Rao, Esq., B.A.,
Financial Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

BJ

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Lot 323 P.F. 8.22.537

MYSORE RESIDENT'S OFFICE,

Diary No. 1138

Bangalore, 15th September 1922.

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No. 7333 Encls. /
613-1899.

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CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, BANGALORE.

A copy of the marginally* noted letter, ~~with enclosure~~, is forwarded with compliments, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore, for information, in continuation of endorsement from this office No. 7021, dated the 2nd September 1922.

15-1-145
No. Bang. dated 7th September 1922, from the Accountant General, Madras.

Secretary to the Resident.

BJ

R. O. 106.—R. P. B.—7-1922.—2,000.

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Noted and returned. 1688 dt 18.10.22

19 OCT 1922

credit (of Rs 327|160-8-7) has been afforded in the Accountant Ge demand Statement for August 1922

Secy) 20/10/22

By Comptroller

18-10-22

Seen-Asst 9.11.22

To The Secretary to Govt. Financial Department.

G.R.S. III—3]

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Letter No. Bang.15-1-145, dated the 7th September 1922, from the Accountant General, Madras, to the Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore.

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With reference to the Government of India Foreign department letter No.2506/8-Est. dated 24th August 1922, sanctioning the payment to the Mysore Durbar of the additional sum of Rs.3,27,160-8-9 on account of the arrears of surplus revenues which have accrued in the pro-forma account of the Bangalore Assigned tract up to the end of the year 1920-21 I have the honour to state that the amount has been adjusted in the accounts of this office for august 1922 to the credit of that Government and to request that the Durbar kindly be informed of the adjustment.

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"C O P Y"

REGISTRAR, RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

BJ

Draft.

To

The Secretary

to the Hon'ble the Resident in Myso

B a n g a l o r e.

S i r,

I am directed to request you to be so good as to state when payment of the surplus revenues of the Civil & Military Station due for the year 1921-22 may be expected. As the year closed about eight months back, the pro forma account may be expected to have been made up and the surplus payable, ascertained. The Government of Mysore request that early arrangements may be made for its payment.

2. The question of the claim of t h e Government of Mysore to the surplus revenu of the C&M Station, which had long been under discussion, was closed by the decision co municated in Mr. Warburton's letter No. 4076 dated 17th July 1912. This decision was proposed to be altered in 1920 by retaining the surpluses of the three years ending with 1920-21 for carrying out certain improvements in the Station. T h e Government of Mysore were unaware of the circumstances leading to such a proposal which involved a serious departure from the terms of the settlement sanctioned by the Government of India and the Secretary

of

of State and they accordingly communicated their views in letter No.455 dated 15th ~~April~~ October 1920. No ~~final~~ answer has yet been received to this communication and the position of suspense thus created is ~~not~~ causing some embarrassment satisfactory. ~~The payment of thirteen and odd lakhs~~ Only a part of the accumulated surplus for the three years has recently been paid ~~and~~ but the ~~question relating~~ representation made on the 22nd October to the payment of the balance remains unsettled. I am, in these circumstances, desired to request that the orders of the Government of India on the representation of the Government of Mysore made ~~recently~~ in their letter referred to above that the decision of 1912 should not be modified in any respect may kindly be communicated ~~very early~~.

I have , etc.,

FINANCIAL SECRETARY TO GOVT.

Pol 457

23rd November 1922.

C.P.S. 22.6

Rajakaryaprasakta

Major C. T. C. Plowden, I.A.,

Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore,

BANGALORE.

The question of the claim of the Government of Mysore to the surplus revenues of the Civil & Military Station, which had long been under discussion, was closed by the decision communicated in Mr. Warburton's letter No.4073 dated 17th July 1912. This decision was proposed to be altered in 1920 by retaining the surpluses of the three years ending with 1920-21 for carrying out certain improvements for the development of the Station. The Government of Mysore were unaware of the circumstances leading to such a proposal which involved a serious departure from the terms of the settlement sanctioned by the Government of India and the Secretary of State and they accordingly communicated their views in letter No.455 dated 15th October 1920. No answer has yet been received to this communication and the position of suspense thus created is causing some embarrassment to His Highness' Government. Only a part of the accumulated surplus for the three years has recently been paid but the representations made on the general question in the letter quoted above have not been disposed of. I am, in these circumstances, desired to request that the orders of the Government of India on the representation of the

Government

Government of Mysore made in that letter referred to above that the decision of 1912 should not be modified in any respect may kindly be communicated.

I have the honour to be,

S i r,

Your most obedient servant,

23.11.22

FINANCIAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

C.F.8.22/23 November 1922.

Rajakaryaprasakta
M. N. Krishna Rau, Esq., B.A.,

Rol 458

Major C.T.C.Plowden, I.A.,
Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore,
Bangalore.

I am directed to request you to be so good as to state when payment of the surplus revenues of the Civil & Military Station due for the year 1921-22 may be expected. As the year closed about eight months back, the pro forma account may be expected to have been made up and the surplus payable, ascertained. The Government of Mysore request that early arrangements may be made for its payment.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

22/11/22
FINANCIAL SECRETARY TO GOVT.

G. R. S. III—3]

ROUTINE NOTES.

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Re 718

E. O. 2.—R. P. B.—11—1922.—5,000.

No. 9613 ENCLOS. — *Dated Bangalore,* 7th December 1922.
116-1922.

FROM

F. Williamson, Esq., I.C.S.,

SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

To

The Financial Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Subject:

Payment of surplus revenues of the Civil and Military Station, Bangalore, for the year 1921-22.

SIR,

With reference to your letter No.458-Pol., dated the 23rd November 1922 on the subject noted above, I am directed to state that the pro-forma account of the Civil and Military Station, Bangalore for the year 1921-22 was sent to the Accountant General, Central Revenues, Calcutta for verification, on the 15th November 1922. On its return the Government of India will be addressed in the matter.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT

BJ

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R. O. 2.—R. P. B.—7-1921.—1,000.

CONFIDENTIAL

No. C/2289/ Enc. 211

DIARY No. 2430

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File No. 8.22
Serial No. 9

FROM

F. Williamson Esq., I.C.S.
~~MAJOR C. T. C. PLOWDEN, I.A.~~,
SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

To

The Financial Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Dewan Bangalore 20-12-22

Dated Bangalore, 20th December *1922.*

SIR,

I am directed to refer to your letter No. Pol. 457, dated the 23rd November 1922, on the subject of the surplus revenues of the Assigned Tract, and to say that a copy of your letter No. 455, dated the 15th October 1920, was forwarded to the Government of India by the Resident, who at the same time expressed his views on the subject. It will be remembered that extracts of the Resident's letter in question were communicated to the Dewan with Major Plowden's confidential and demi-official letter No. C/1777/211, dated the 22nd April 1922, with the intimation that the Government of India further directed that the Government of Mysore should be informed that the views expressed in the extracts were those of the Government of India.

2. The Resident has no reason to suppose that the views of the Government of India have since undergone any substantial modification. The Resident was recently directed to submit schemes of town improvement to be financed out of the surplus still retained, viz. 20¾ lakhs.

The final orders passed by the Government of India on these proposals and on the general position as regards the financing of schemes of improvement in the Assigned Tract from surplus revenues will be communicated in due course. So far no reply has been received.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. Williamson

SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

~~Draft~~ D.O. R. 41 & 4/1/23.

G.F. 8.22.

Dear Mr. Barton,

I have seen Mr. Williamson's letter of the 20th instant to the Financial Secretary and hasten to write to you to state that it does not give a correct idea of the present position in regard to the question about the surplus revenues of the Civil & Military Station. I am not sure if it is really meant that the views ~~of Col. Knox~~ contained in ~~his~~ your letter of the 12th November 1920 should be regarded as the decision of t h e Government of India on the representation of the Government of Mysore made in their letter No.455 dated 15th October 1920. There has been a good deal of correspondence on the subject since ~~Col. Knox addressed his~~ the letter of the 12th November 1920 was addressed to the Government of India and the important issues raised still remain unsettled. I would invite attention to my letter of the 14th April 1922 in which I stated that the Government of Mysore had received no reply to their representation of October ~~last~~ 1920 and that His Highness the Maharaja was proceeding to Simla to discuss this matter with His Excellency the Viceroy, I do not think the question can be considered as having been settled by the communication of ~~the~~ extracts from ~~Col. Knox's~~ your letter of the 12th Nov. 1920 or that the Government of Mysore h a v e acquiesced in the arrangements stated to be in contemplation for the utilis-

of the balance of 20¾ lakhs due for the three years ending with 1920-21. In these circumstances, I shall be much obliged if you will kindly obtain the orders of the Government of India on the representation of the Government of Mysore made in their letter of the 15th October 1920.

Yours sincerely,

(Dewan.)

To

The Hon'ble Mr. J.P.Barton, C.S.I., C.I.E., I.C.S.,
British Resident in Mysore, Bangalore.

15th February 3.

Ref 760
16 February 1923.

F. Williamson, Esq., I.C.S.,
Secretary to the Resident in Mysore,
BANGALORE.

I am directed to invite reference to the correspondence ending with your letter No.9613/116-1922 dated 7th December 1922 stating that the pro forma account of the Civil & Military Station for the year 1921-22 has been sent to the Accountant-General, Central Revenues, and that on its return from that officer, the Government of India will be addressed. Is is now nearly eleven months since the year closed and I am to request that very early arrangements may kindly be made for the payment of the amount due for that year. The Government of Mysore have taken credit for the amount in their Budget Estimates for the current year and its early receipt is necessary to prevent the dislocation of their financial arrangements. It may therefore be kindly stated when payment can be expected.

I have the honour to be,
S i r,
Your most obedient servant,

Financial Secretary
to Govt.

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DIARY No. 3388

From

A. N. L. Cater, Esq., I.C.S.,
SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

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To

The Financial Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Subject:—

Surplus revenue of the Mysore Assigned Tract for 1921-22.

DEWAN'S OFFICE.
Recd. on MAR 6 1923
Reg. No. E 2085

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.760-Pol., dated the 15/16th February 1923, I am directed to state that the pro-forma account of the Civil & Military Station, Bangalore, for the year 1921-22 has since been received from the Accountant General, Central Revenues, Calcutta and forwarded to the Government of India with the request that orders may be communicated by telegram.

2. A further communication will be made on receipt of a reply.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT

BJ

the notes must be copied, or slips pasted on this form.

Rev. I
Pol No. 56

General & Revenue Secretariat,

Bangalore, 23rd July 1923.

From

The Chief Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

To

The Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident
in Mysore,
(Camp) S i m l a.

S i r,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your confidential letter No. 2534/221 dated the 7th May 1923 on the subject of Surplus Revenues of the Assigned Tract of Bangalore, and to state that His Highness' Government feel greatly disappointed that the representations which they made in my letter No. 455 dated the 15th October 1920 and also in several other subsequent communications have not resulted in any satisfactory solution of this long pending controversy. They are, therefore, reluctantly compelled to make a further representation on the subject and express the hope that the Government of India will be pleased to consider them in a fair and sympathetic spirit.

2. In the first place, they desire to express their acknowledgments to the Government of India for the payment of Rs. 13½ lakhs out of the surpluses with held for the 3 years commencing from 1918-19 out of th total sum of Rs. 34 lakhs, which include the reserve of Rs. 5 lakhs contributed from the surpluses of the years 1911-12 to 1917-18. There is thus a balance of Rs.20¾ lakhs still withheld and it is stated that this

this will be expended for carrying out the schemes enumerated in paragraph 4 of your letter under reply, which are estimated to cost a sum of Rs.21,40,207/-. Further reference will be made at a later stage in this letter to the nature of the schemes in contemplation as well as to the procedure suggested for the future, but His Highness' Government would again, - without reiterating all the arguments and reasons - which they have repeatedly urged, submit for the consideration of the Government of India that the solution now offered by them in regard to the withheld surpluses as well as to surpluses that would accrue hereafter, constitutes in all essential respects a radical departure from the policy enunciated in 1912.

It has been repeatedly and consistently urged that the principles underlying the settlement of 1912 should not be departed from. That settlement was perfectly clear and equitable and the Government of Mysore cannot persuade themselves to believe that a virtual repudiation thereof is now contemplated. It had established a smooth, workable system and no difficulty or doubt was experienced by either party in giving effect to its provisions. The surplus was calculated and handed over to the Durbar in accordance with pro-forma accounts pertaining not to one or two years but for a long period of 36 years, viz., 30 years prior and 6 years subsequent to the decision. The only point left for further consideration was as regards the charges coming under the heads Education, Sanitary, and Medical and ever there a hope was expressed by the then Resident that a "satisfactory decision will be reached in due course." The following extract from his letter dated 11th December 1913 explains the position. "I am, however, in correspondence with the Government of India on the question of what proportion of these grants and

of any similar grants made hereafter may, in fairness, be debited to the revenues of the Assigned Tract and what proportion should be met from Imperial revenues." There was no question then of debiting to the Assigned Tract revenues the entire charges incurred on these two objects; and as a matter of fact, a share of such expenditure was actually borne by the Imperial revenues until March 1916 -- please see Residency letter dated August 2nd 1917.

4. But Major James' letter of 2nd August 1917 proposed for the first time to modify the settlement of 1912 by creating a reserve of Rs. 5 lakhs from the annual surpluses. The same officer's letter of the 5th December 1918, went very much further; it was stated that any particular payment made in accordance with the general principles both as regards its amount and the method of its calculation is an act of grace, the Durbar not being entitled as a matter of right to claim the whole or any part of the revenues of the Tract. In the communication now received, a more stringent reservation is proposed, viz., that such surplus will only be paid after the "administrative needs of the station had been met including special grants for development purposes" and it is also laid down that "while it is held that the Mysore Government cannot claim as a right to be consulted in regard to the schemes for the internal development of Bangalore, regarding which negotiations with them are not essential, important schemes of this description will be referred informally to the Durbar if the Resident considers that their interest is affected otherwise than by merely reducing the surplus."

5. The Durbar desire once more to emphazize the fact that no difficulty was experienced in giving effect to the settlement of 1912 till the year 1917, when a

new interpretation was sought to be put on the whole transaction and new meanings read into what had been stated to be "frank pronouncements of policy". The Government of Mysore are gratified to note that the claim of the State to the surplus is no longer disputed and that it is reaffirmed in your letter that the Government of India have decided that in accordance with the principles already laid down, it is not the intention of Government to enrich the revenues of the British India from the Assigned Tracts, and in virtue of that intention, Government will pay the annual surpluses to the Mysore Government.

The Durbar must, however, explain their views generally in regard to the administrative needs and development schemes in the Civil and Military Station, the cost of which is intended to be debited to the revenues of the Assigned Tract. They are certainly not averse to a reasonable share of these revenues being so debited, but they regret that they cannot agree to the many new conditions and principles introduced in your letter which virtually deprives them of any real voice in determining their share and which tantamount to a reversal of the policy that was settled after long discussion in 1912.

6. The Durbar apprehend that the solution now offered viz., that the annual surplus will be paid after the administrative needs of the Station have been met including grants for development purposes is not only at variance with the settlement of 1912 in essential respects, but is also too vague and indefinite to preclude any possibility of further controversy between the Governments of India and His Highness' Government, which has for so long -- to quote the words of your

your letter -- "been such a source of vexation no less to the Residency than to the Durbar."

7. It is necessary to state, in the first place, that the administrative needs can only relate to the ordinary recurring and non-recurring charges of the civil administration of the Tract and should not include those arising directly or indirectly or even partially from the occupation of the area as a Military Station. Secondly, the Government of Mysore cannot agree to the inclusion under administrative needs or as a separate charge, of special grants for development purposes, without a clear understanding as to the character of the schemes and the principles on which the grants for such schemes should be made. The present proposal ~~xx~~ introduces a new principle altogether. His Highness' Government welcome the declaration that they would be consulted in regard to the commitments involved in such development measures in future, but are unable to see why they were not consulted in respect of the projects enumerated in your letter. These, if examined carefully, would justify their apprehension that under administrative needs including special grants for development purposes, many schemes may be contemplated which should not be rightly debited to the surplus revenues.

8. Were any proof needed to justify the fear which they entertained as to the disposal of future surpluses in accordance with the policy of the Government of India adumbrated in your letter under reply, it is amply furnished by the schemes mentioned in your letter, which have already obtained the approval of the Government of India and are to be started almost at once. The Durbar can only express surprise at the proposal to finance such projects out of the surplus reverues. It may be asked if the cost of the market and of the pumping plant in connection with the Grass Farm and the sewage scheme, which are productive works, are debited to the Assigned Tract revenues, whether it is contemplated that the income derived from them should be credited to the same head and not to the Municipal Commission. The housing of the poor and the opening out of the slum areas are both works which have never been charged to the Assigned Tract revenue before. Such works are generally carried out by the Municipalities themselves everywhere either from their own revenues or from loans. The proposal to contribute Rs.1,14,500 for the improvement of roads is no less extraordinary. The grants proposed for the schools have hitherto come partly, if not chiefly, from Imperial Revenues. The proposal is directly opposed to the oft-expressed intention of the Government of India not to benefit the Imperial exchequer at the expense of the revenues of the Tract, and which has now been reiterated in your letter under reply. Nor is it clear why the Good Shepherd Convent Scheme should be financed from the Assigned Tract Revenues. No information has been furnished about Rs.81,000 proposed to be spent for the schools(item 9). To say that the surplus, after meeting the cost of new development schemes, will be handed over annually is tantamount to refusing payment altogether; for, it is inconceivable that the whole of the available revenues of the Assigned Area carrot be used up on various schemes of developing it, if only the money were forthcoming.

9. Another serious objection to the proposal is that the procedure contemplated is the recommendations of the Municipal Commission of the Civil and Military Station in regard to the expenditure out of the surplus being considered by the Government of India along with those of the Resident. The Durbar would submit that the Municipal Commission have never had in the past, and cannot be admitted to have in the future a voice in any understanding that might be reached between the Government of India and the Mysore Government, in regard to the disposal of the surplus revenue of the Assigned Tract.

10. While gratefully appreciating, therefore, the desire on the part of the Government of India to lay down a clear and definite policy on a basis equitable to both parties, the Durbar fear that any attempt to debit the surplus with charges that should clearly fall on Municipal revenues and resources or be met from special grants, does not furnish a proper or workable solution of the difficulty, and is likely to be a continuous source of friction in the future.

11. In these circumstances, I am to express the earnest hope of the Durbar that a clear and definite understanding may be arrived at which will keep in view the underlying principle of the settlement of 1912, so that the revenues of the Assigned Tract may not be debited with items of expenditure which are not properly chargeable to them.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Chief Secretary to Government.

G.R.S. III—3]

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PRIVATE SECRETARY MYSORE

The Palace,
Bangalore.
24th July 1923.

Dear Mr. Matthan,

As desired by the Dewan, I return herewith a copy of the reply presumably sent by him to the Residency on the subject of the C. & M. Station Surplus question.

Yours sincerely,
Mirza M. Ismail

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DEWAN OF MYSORE

In train,

24th July 1923.

Dear Mr, Matthan,

I write to confirm the following telegram sent to you from Haveri Railway Station today:-

"In letter to Secretary to Resident regarding Surplus Revenues incorporate the following corrections.:-

Page 3, paragraph 4, line 8, correct word amount to method. Page 5-line 5 omit words recurring and non-recurring

Dewan"

I hope the neeessary corrections have been made in the letter.

Yours sincerely,

K. Matthan, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to Govt.

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Issued on

the 24th July 1913

D.O. No. 322 CB/Encl

Dear Mr. Cater,

I enclose herewith an official letter on the subject of the Surplus Revenues of the Bangalore Assigned Tract This letter is a duplicate, and one copy has been taken by the Dewan to Simla and will be delivered to the Hon'ble the Resident there.

Yours Sincerely,

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A. N. L. Cater, Esq., I.C.S.,
Secretary to the Resident in Mysore.

KM/CLG.

D.O. 1137 C.S. Bangalore 6th October 1923

My dear Mr. Mirza,

I am desired to forward herewith copy of Residency letter No.7924 dated 5th October 1923 regarding the Surplus Revenues of the - Bangalore Assigned Tract.

Yours sincerely,

Amin-ul-Mulk
Mirza M. Ismail, Esq., B.A., O.B.E.,
Private Secretary to His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore.

Copy of Residency letter No.7924 dated 5th October 1923 to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Mysore.

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